Amendments to the Specification are as follows:

Please amend the paragraph on page 6, lines 20-22 as follows:

(Amended) a support member which is mounted on a steering wheel, the ~~support member~~steering wheel having an annular ring and ~~spokes~~at least one spoke formed inside the ring;

Please amend the paragraph on page 6, lines 23-27 as follows:

(Amended) a manipulating knob which is rotatably supported on the steering wheel such that the manipulating knob is rotatable in front and rear directions of the ~~steering wheel~~support member, the manipulating knob projecting inside a space surrounded by the ring and the spokes;

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, lines 16-18 as follows:

(Amended) a support member which is mounted on a steering wheel, the steering wheel having an annular ring and ~~spokes~~at least one spoke formed inside the ring;

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, lines 19-23 as follows:

(Amended) a manipulating knob which is rotatably supported on the support member such that the manipulating knob is rotatable in front and rear directions of the steering wheel, the manipulating knob projecting inside a space surrounded by the ring and the spokes;

Please amend the paragraph on page 11, lines 8-11 as follows:

(Amended) the support member is formed by joining a front-side support which is arranged at a front side of the spokes and a back-side support which is arranged at a back side of the spokes, and

Please amend the paragraph on page 11, lines 15-25 as follows:

(Amended) According to the second invention having such a constitution, in assembling, the assembled body is firstly assembled. Then, the assembled body is housed in the housing provided to one of the front-side support and the back-side support and the front-side support and the back-side support are arranged at the front and back side of the spokes and are

connected to each other. That is, the manipulating knob, the rotary support body, the biasing means and the signal changeover means can be assembled independently from the support member and hence, the manipulating knob, the biasing means and the signal changeover means can be easily assembled to the support member.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 27 and ending on page 13, line 2 as follows:

(Amended) a support member which is mounted on a steering wheel, the ~~support member~~steering wheel having an annular ring and ~~spokes~~at least one spoke formed inside the ring;

Please amend the paragraph on page 13, lines 3-7 as follows:

(Amended) a manipulating knob which is rotatably supported on the support member such that the manipulating knob is rotatable in front and rear directions of the steering wheel, the manipulating knob projecting inside a space surrounded by the ring and the spokes;

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 24 and ending on page 15, line 5 as follows:

(Amended) In the above-mentioned invention, the manipulating knob, the rotary support body, the biasing means and the signal changeover means may be integrally put together to form an assembled body, the support member may be formed by joining a front-side support which is arranged at a front side of the spoke and a back-side supports which is arranged at a back side of the spokes, and a housing which houses the assembled body therein may be provided to one of the front-side support and the back-side support.

Please amend the paragraph on page 17, lines 4-8 as follows:

(Amended) a casing which is mounted on a steering wheel having an annular ring and ~~spokes~~at least one spoke disposed inside the ring and is formed by joining a front-side casing member which is arranged at a front sides of the spokes and a back-side casing member which is arranged at a back sides of the spokes;

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 18, line 25 and ending on page 19, line 9 as follows:

(Amended) Further, in the present invention, the first switch may be formed by integrally putting together a manipulating knob which is rotatably supported on the casing such that the first switch is rotatable in front and rear directions of the steering wheel, the manipulating knob projecting inside a space surrounded by the ring and the spokes, a rotary support body which is mounted on the casing and rotatably supports the manipulating knob, biasing means which bias the manipulating knob such that the manipulating knob returns to a neutral position, and signal changeover means which are capable of changing over two kinds of electric signals in response to a rotational direction of the manipulating knob from the neutral position,

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 19, line 26 and ending on page 20, line 3 as follows:

(Amended) a casing which is mounted on a steering wheel having an annular ring and ~~spokes~~at least one spoke disposed inside the ring and is formed by joining a front-side casing member which is arranged at a front ~~sides~~ of the ~~spokes~~ and a back-side casing member which is arranged at a back ~~sides~~ of the ~~spokes~~; and

Please amend the paragraph on page 22, lines 9-20 as follows:

(Amended) In the above-mentioned invention, the switch may be formed by integrally putting together a manipulating knob which projects inside a space surrounded by the ring and the spokes, a rotary support body which is mounted on the support member and rotatably supports the manipulating knob, biasing means which bias the manipulating knob such that the manipulating knob returns to a neutral position, and signal changeover means which are capable of changing over two kinds of electric signals in response to a rotational direction of the manipulating knob from the neutral position, and a housing which houses the switch may be formed on one of the front-side casing member and the back-side casing member.